

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Takahiro FUKUHARA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/691,650

GAU: 2624

FILED: October 24, 2003

EXAMINER: WANG, CLAIRE X.

FOR: PICTURE ENCODING APPARATUS AND METHOD, PROGRAM AND RECORDING MEDIUM

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

It is hereby requested that a **five month** extension of time be granted to **JUNE 16, 2008** for

- ☐ filing a response to the Official Action dated:
- ☐ responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- ☐ filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
- ☐ responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
- ☐ filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due has been filed.
- ☒ **filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in lieu of an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on: NOVEMBER 16, 2007**
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of **\$2,230.00** is being made by **credit card payment** and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. **15-0030**.

Respectfully Submitted,

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